

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: SOUTH SLOPE COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY	DOCKET NO. SPU-00-14 <hr/> CERTIFICATE NO. 0120
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CERTIFICATE

(Issued September 11, 2000)

On August 18, 2000, South Slope Cooperative Telephone Company (South Slope) and Amana Colonies Telephone Company, d/b/a HickoryTech, filed a joint application for the discontinuance of service by HickoryTech to the Amana exchange, and the transference of the certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide service to the Amana exchange to South Slope. South Slope will provide service to the Amana exchange once it has tariffs approved by the Utilities Board (Board).

The Board issued an order on September 11, 2000, approving the discontinuance of service by HickoryTech, and authorizing the transfer of the certificate to South Slope. South Slope is required to file proposed tariffs within 30 days of the order which contain a new service territory map, new tariffs in its name, and a statement of 2-PIC dialing parity. South Slope currently has a certificate to provide service to the Ely, Fairfax, Newhall, North Liberty, and Norway exchanges.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

This amendment to the certificate of public convenience and necessity, issued pursuant to Iowa Code § 476.29(1) (1999), authorizes South Slope Cooperative Telephone Company to furnish local telephone service in the exchanges as shown by its tariffs as currently and subsequently approved.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr. /s/ Diane Munns
Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 11th day of September, 2000.